

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re : Application of Currie et al.
For : EXPANDABLE TIRE BUILDING DRUM WITH
ALTERNATING FIXED AND EXPANDABLE SEGMENTS,
AND CONTOURS FOR SIDEWALL INSERTS
Serial No. : 09/960,215
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Group Art Unit : 1733
Examiner : G. Knable
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire in three months or on December 5, 2003. Please amend the referenced application as follows: